

July 14, 1977

Memo to File:

Re: Annie Laurie Mine
Piute County, Utah
ACT/031/001

On July 12, 1977, Brian Buck inspected the Kimberly area to ascertain the operational status of this property.

There was no sign of activity at the mill site and the tailings ponds were dry. All of the mill equipment was present and in operational order. The mines to the northwest of the mill were abandoned and the mine access roads were beginning to be overgrown. A local resident said that the operation was to be dismantled.

The mining activity is widespread on a high, exposed ridge. Numerous small exploratory trenches are present along with four small open pits of approximately one to two acres each. The mine area should be flown for ~~aerial~~ photography to assess the true extent of the disturbance.

It appears that the operator took advantage of Section 40-8-23(2) of the Act and has absolved himself from any reclamation liability. If this is so, this site should be given top priority at which time the State is able to reclaim it.

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